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Three Members of Attorney General's Office in Tucson Honored

(Phoenix, Ariz. – Dec. 12, 2007) Attorney General Terry Goddard today honored three members of the Attorney General's Tucson Office at the Office's annual Awards Day ceremony.

Goddard presented Patricia Bianchi, a Compliance Officer who investigates civil rights complaints for the Tucson Civil Rights Division, with the award for Employee of the Year. Bianchi, of Tucson, was recognized for her outstanding investigative skills, her ability to work with members of the public and her efforts to provide quality customer service when taking a complaint. Bianchi attended Arizona State University and joined the Office in 2004.

Goddard presented Assistant Attorney General Richard Broder, an attorney in the Tucson Civil Division who specializes in medical malpractice litigation, with the award of Attorney of the Year. Broder represents the Arizona Department of Corrections, the Arizona State Hospital and the Department of Health Services Behavioral Health Division. Goddard recognized his skill as both a mentor and a litigator, the latter of which he credited to Broder's strong legal analysis and trial preparation. Broder joined the office in 2004. He holds a law degree from the University of Wisconsin and is admitted to practice law in New York, Wisconsin, Arizona and the District of Columbia. Broder has served as a member of the Arizona Trial College and as a trainer with the Arizona Attorney General's Trial Advocacy program.

Goddard presented Assistant Attorney General Jason Corley, an attorney in the Child and Family Protection Division, with the Emerging Star Award. This year, Corley's work has included researching Hague Convention issues in dependency matters involving Mexican parents. He also served as the trial attorney in the recent child immunization case argued before the Court of Appeals at the University of Arizona College of Law. Corley holds a B.S. in philosophy and math from the University of Arizona and a law degree from Arizona State University. He joined the Attorney General's Office in 2004.

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